

STATE OF MAINE  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

December 12, 2000

QUINTELCO, INC.  
Request to Abandon Service  
Docket No. 2000-756

ORDER DISMISSING  
REQUEST

LOCAL TELCOM HOLDINGS, LLC D/B/A  
TRANSPPOINT COMMUNICATIONS  
Petition for Finding of Public Convenience  
and Necessity to Provide Service as a  
Interexchange Telephone Utility as a Reseller  
Docket No. 2000-757

ORDER GRANTING  
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE  
INTEREXCHANGE SERVICE  
AS A RESELLER

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WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

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On August 18, 2000, Quintelco, Inc. (Quintelco) filed a letter requesting the Commission to "transfer" Quintelco's authority (granted in Docket No. 97-514) to provide resold interexchange service to Local Telcom Holdings, LLC d/b/a Transpoint Communications (Local Telcom Holdings). This request constitutes both a request by Quintelco to abandon service and an application by Local Telcom Holdings for a finding of public convenience and necessity to provide the same service now being provided by Quintelco.

Quintelco states that it "was not operational in the State of Maine." It also stated, however, that "Quintelco will continue to operate in the State of Maine under its own name providing affordable unregulated voicemail services to the public."

The Commission has never ruled that voice mail services are or are not regulated. Some carriers provide voice mail pursuant to tariffs. Pursuant to discussions between Quintelco and the Commission staff, Quintelco has agreed that it will retain its authority to provide service in Maine, to the extent necessary, to provide voice mail service.

Local Telcom Holdings plans to file an entirely new set of rates, terms and conditions (tariff) at some time in the future. Until that time, it may provide service pursuant to the existing Quintelco tariff. In the meantime, Local Telcom Holdings shall file a single tariff page that incorporates the rates, terms and conditions of Quintelco as its own. When Local Telcom Holdings files a new tariff, it should simultaneously file pages that eliminate Quintelco services that is no longer offering.

By this order we grant authority to Local Telcom Holdings to provide resold interexchange service subject to all provisions of the order in Docket No. 97-514 that granted authority to Quintelco to provide such service.

Wherefore, we

**O R D E R**

1. That the request, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1104, by Quintelco, Inc. to abandon service is (with the consent of Quintelco) hereby dismissed;

2. That the petition, filed pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 2102, of Local Telcom Holdings, LLC for a finding of public convenience and necessity to provide interexchange public utility telephone service as a reseller is hereby granted; Local Telcom Holdings shall be bound by and subject to all provisions, including the ordering paragraphs, of the order granting authority to Quintelco in Docket No. 97-514;

3. That Local Telcom Holdings, LLC shall file a single page term and condition that incorporates the existing rates, terms and conditions of Quintelco, Inc. as its own; said term and condition shall be effective until the approval of Local Telcom Holdings' rates, terms and conditions as described in Paragraph 4.

4. That Local Telcom Holdings, LLC shall, in due course, file a new set of rates, terms and conditions that eliminate services it is not providing. Simultaneously, Quintelco, Inc. shall file proposed revisions to its rates, terms and conditions that eliminate services it will no longer be providing.

Dated at Augusta, Maine this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2000.

**BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION**

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Dennis L. Keschl  
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR:      Welch  
   Diamond

COMMISSIONER ABSENT:              Nugent